

59. (Amended) The composition of claim 55, wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of ethers, hydrocarbon solvents, and mixtures thereof.

60. (Amended) The composition of claim 59, wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of THF, toluene, and mixtures thereof.

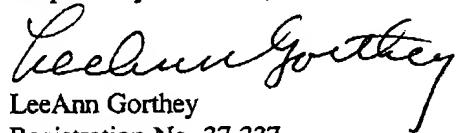
REMARKS

The present amendments correct the dependency of claims 56 and 58-60, in view of the renumbering of the claims. The dependency of claim 54 is also changed from claim 17 to claim 20, since the variables R¹ and R² are defined in the latter claim.

The amendments requested do not increase the scope of the patent claims. Acceptance of the amendments and issuance of the patent in the amended form is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed necessary with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees (or to credit any overpayment) herein to Deposit Account No. 04-0531.

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Following are the presently amended claims, showing all changes relative to the previous version, with the corrected numbering used by the Examiner (claims originally numbered 55-62 now numbered 53-60).

54. (Twice Amended) The composition of claim [17] 20, wherein said ligand L, has the structure
 $Cy_N-(C=O)-X-C^*R^1R^3-C^*R^2R^4-X-(C=O)-Cy_N$

wherein said chiral centers are connected by a direct bond, R¹ and R² are as defined above, R³ and R⁴ are hydrogen, and binding groups Cy_N are as defined above.

56. (Amended) The composition of claim [57] 55, wherein in said process said metal is molybdenum (0).

58. (Amended) The composition of claim [59] 57, wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of THF, toluene, and mixtures thereof.

59. (Amended) The composition of claim [57] 55, wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of ethers, hydrocarbon solvents, and mixtures thereof.

60. (Amended) The composition of claim [61] 59, wherein said solvent is selected from the group consisting of THF, toluene, and mixtures thereof.